2019-2020

DISTRICT

Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan

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DISTRICT NAME

Clinton Public School District

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INTRODUCTION

The Mississippi Department of Education (MDE) is committed to providing essential technical guidance and support mechanisms to assist districts during the time of extended school building closure as a result of COVID-19. The MDE recognizes and appreciates that districts are taking different approaches depending on their local capacity and infrastructure during this building closure. The State Board of Education (SBE) has provided flexibility within existing laws and policies regarding instructional time, graduation requirements, attendance, assessment and accountability.

In accordance with Governor Tate Reeves’ Executive Order 1476, school districts shall operate with essential personnel to offer distance learning or other instructional means necessary for students to achieve completion of grade-level essential instruction for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Additionally, school districts shall submit to the SBE plans for summer learning and enrichment measures necessary to (a) mitigate disruption from the Spring 2020 school closure due to COVID-19 and (b) to enhance learning in preparation for the 2020-21 academic school year. Per Executive Order 1476, summer learning and enrichment measures are to be provided to all students in all schools.

The District Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan is designed to ensure districts are taking deliberate and thoughtful actions to facilitate and individualize continued student learning and progress monitoring during closure.

Taking a traditional school environment online is not a simple task – nor is it one that should be attempted without serious consideration of the practicality and risk.

The MDE is not directing districts that they must transition to delivery of all content online, as we recognize that online access and remote support for rural students and students with disabilities will certainly pose equity issues across the state. Districts need to consider how they can help facilitate continued learning within homes across the state – either through online opportunities, by making grade-level instructional packets, Family Guides for Student Success, or other resources available for pick-up at school or various locations within the district, or through a combination of delivery systems.

RESOURCES

The MDE has compiled a variety of resources for districts to use during the extended school building closure, online at https://www.mdek12.org/covid19/districtresources. The materials and tools may be used to provide additional resources to parents or students. This information is only intended to be a general summary of information provided to the public. The MDE does not endorse or promote any commercial products or services. Please make sure that you choose the tool(s), resource(s) or material(s) that are developmentally appropriate and best fit the needs of your students, school, or district.
Resources have been divided into the following categories:

- Internet Services
- Multiple Content Area Resources
- Arts (Dance, Music, Theatre, Visual Arts) Resources
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Resources
- English Language Arts Resources
- Mathematics Resources
- Science Resources
- Social Studies Resources
- World Language Resources
- Counselor Resources
- English Learner Resources
- Intervention Resources
- Students with Special Needs Resources
- Virtual Learning Resources

**DISTRICT LEARNING-AT-HOME AND SUMMER ENRICHMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS**

- Consider individual students’ needs, grade-level expectations, and district capacity.
- Communicate with key stakeholders, including staff, parents, students, and other community partners.
- Submit completed plan, including **SECTION I**, to **rhoad@mdek12.org** no later than **May 15, 2020**.
**SECTION A  Instructional Delivery During School Building Closure**

Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.

- **Option A**: Distance/Virtual/e-Learning/Remote Method(s)
- **Option B**: Packets/Assignments (portfolio, project-based, etc.)
- **Option C**: Blended (combination of Option A and Method B)
- **Option D**: Other (provide brief description):

**SECTION B  Instructional Content During School Building Closure**

Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.

- **Option A**: MDE Resources
  - Mississippi Online Course Approval (MOCA) Courses
  - Learning-at-Home Resources for Districts
  - Learning-at-Home Resources for Families
- **Option B**: Individual District Developed/Hosted
  - District-developed online/hybrid content
  - District-selected online/hybrid content
  - District make-and-take packets based on locally selected textbooks/instructional materials
  - Make-and-take packets from another district/vendor (provide brief description):

- **Option C**: Other
  - Combination of Option A and Option B
  - Other (provide brief description):
SECTION C Final Course Grade Calculation for 2019-2020 School Year

Indicate which of the following methods the district is using to calculate student grades, as well as specific grade bands for each method (for example: K-2, K-8, 6-8, 9-12).

NOTE: Grading policies are a local school district decision. This information is being collected per Executive Order 1476.

☐ Option A: Third nine-week grades as final grades/completion for the year
Grade Band:

☐ Option B: Average first, second, and third nine-week grades with fourth nine-week assignments (digital, packets, blended, etc.) grade for End-of-Year Grade
Grade Band:

☐ Option C: Final exam grade averaged with first, second, and third nine-week report card grades for End-of-Year Final Grade
Grade Band:

☐ Option D: Credit by Examination” or “Credit by Advancement” through final exam or assignment to measure standards mastery
Grade Band:

☐ Option E: Pass/Fail course grade
Grade Band:

NOTE: Districts should exercise caution regarding use of pass/fail grades for graduating seniors, as student eligibility for NCAA athletics may be impacted. More information is available through this NCAA FAQ document.

☐ Option F: Other (provide brief description):
Elementary (K-5): Rubrics were developed with points given for different % of assignments completed up to the total of 10 points. We capped them at 10 to be added to their final average derived from the 1st three nine-weeks grades.

Middle and Secondary (6-12) Points awarded per class at one point per week to total the 10 points. Teachers are sending two lessons per week with each of them counting 1/2 point. We also took the top off the 100 point scale to allow those with high averages (95 and above) to still earn the full 10 points and allow their average to go above 100 for this year.
Grade Band: K-12

In accordance with Executive Order 1476, describe how the district will provide students with feedback/grades on assignments completed during the extended school building closure and during summer learning and enrichment programs.
Teachers are required to look at student progress weekly. Teachers are expected to communicate with parents of students who are not making adequate progress toward completing assignments. Teachers have also provided students opportunities to visually see lessons taught on material they are currently working on through virtual means. Progress reports have been sent to all parents by their child’s teacher after the first 4 weeks to all of our elementary students. At the secondary level, all of our students have school issued email accounts. Through the use of this email account, teachers provide feedback to students about work submitted. Students can also use this school issued email account to reach out to teachers who have individual concerns. Through the use of Zoom Meetings at the secondary level, teachers are able to have direct instruction as well as provide assistance to students needing additional help.

SECTION D Summer Learning and Enrichment

In accordance with Executive Order 1476, please indicate which of the following methods the district is using to offer summer learning, Extended School year (ESY) services, and enrichment to students. Note that ESY is not the same as summer learning.

Select all that apply. Note that Option C is a combination of Options A and B.

- [x] Option A: Distance/Virtual/e-Learning/Remote Method(s)
- [ ] Option B: Packets/Assignments (portfolio, project-based, etc.)
- [ ] Option C: Blended (combination of Option A and Method B)
- [ ] Option D: Other (provide brief description):

Briefly describe the district’s summer learning, Extended School year (ESY) services, and enrichment programming (frequency, content areas, and duration, including days per week and number of weeks).
During the summer, students will be provided various opportunities to receive instruction. In grades K-5, students have been identified to receive additional instruction during the summer. These students have been identified through the district's support team process. We looked at student data throughout the year as well as student performance on grade level assignments. If allowed, we will provide face to face instruction in small group settings by certified teachers in the Clinton Public School District. During this time, students will be reassessed and receive interventions at their instructional level to build skills in reading and math to address regression that may have taken place during the time students have been away from school. Many of these students were already receiving Tier II and Tier III instruction during the school year. If students are not allowed on campus, we will provide direct face to face interventions through the use technology. We will also provide dyslexia therapy for our students that have been diagnosed with dyslexia. Our dyslexia therapist within the district will provide that needed instruction. Our EL students will be provided opportunities for instruction by EL teachers in the district. These services will be provided Monday through Thursday from 8:00-12:00. Services will begin on June 8th and end on July 17th.

We will continue to provide ESY opportunities for special education students. If we are allowed to bring students to classrooms for small face to face instruction, certified special education teachers will focus on individual skills identified in the student's IEP. These services will be provided Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:00-12:00.

We will also provide credit recovery opportunities for students in grades 8th - 12th. Students in grades 6th - 8th will also be given opportunities to pass classes they may have failed during the school year. In our secondary schools, all lessons will be administered online. This will start on June 8th and conclude on July 17th. Students will have the opportunity to participate in these classes Monday-Friday.
In order to effectively serve all students within a district, communication is essential. Please note below how the district has communicated its Learning-at-Home and Summer Enrichment Plan with families.

Select all that apply.

- **Option A**: Letters mailed to families
- **Option B**: Emails to families
- **Option C**: Social media posts
- **Option D**: Text messages to families
- **Option E**: Local print media
- **Option F**: Other (provide brief description):

  Personal phone calls from teachers, counselors, and administrators. The district will also communicate through the communication system purchased by the district, Parent Square and School Status.

Briefly describe how the district will monitor participation by students during the extended building closure and summer enrichment programs.

Teachers participating in the summer enrichment programs will receive a summer salary to provide needed instruction and provide feedback to students and parents. Principals, Assistant Principals, and Special Education Director will oversee the programs directly tied to their school or program to oversee and ensure needed resources are in place to provide a successful experience for students.

**SECTION F Transcripts and Senior Transitions**
District supports for graduating seniors may look different during an extended school building closure. High schools must ensure students have the necessary documents to continue their academic pursuits or transition into the work force.

Briefly describe how the district will ensure students receive transcripts and final grades upon graduation.

Through the use of technology (Google Form) students are given the opportunity to select one or more colleges who they would like to receive their transcript. Seniors can also request a personal transcript online. For this school year, all transcripts are free of charge for current seniors. Counselors at Clinton High School contacted parents of students who did not submit a request. Also, a final report card will be mailed to each student.

SECTION G Assurances for Continued Learning for All Students

In accordance with Executive Order 1476, the school district is offering distance learning or other instructional means necessary for students to achieve completion of grade-level essential instruction for the 2019-2020 academic school year. Additionally, the school district is offering summer learning and enrichment measures necessary to (a) mitigate disruption from the Spring 2020 school closure due to COVID-19 and (b) to enhance learning in preparation for the 2020-21 academic school year.

SECTION H Assurances for Students with Disabilities

It is clear the United States Department of Education (ED) does not want school districts to consider the provision of services to students with disabilities under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as a barrier or a reason not to offer educational services to any of their students through distance instruction or otherwise.

In compliance with COVID-19 guidance, the following assurances have been discussed and are included in planning efforts for students with disabilities, including students with 504 plans.
Assure that services are provided for all students with disabilities, including students with 504 plans, and maintain appropriate documentation to support all efforts;

Assure that services, materials, assignments, and instruction, are individualized and aligned to student IEP goals;

Assure that district plans address how progress or lack of progress will be collected and documented in anticipation of considering the need for ESY and/or compensatory services;

Assure that students with disabilities will not be excluded from participating in courses;

Comply with all state and federal regulations;

Ensure educators and administrators collaborate and utilize creative options to meet the individual needs of the students; and

Consider the impact of the district’s final course grade calculation method selected in Section C as it relates to IEP review and development for each student. The most recent USDOE guidance can be found here.

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**SECTION I Assurances for English Language Learners**

- The district is working collaboratively to:
  - Provide effective two-way communication with families in a language that they understand.
  - Tailor instruction and assessments to students’ English Language proficiency needs in all four language domains (Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing).

**SECTION J District Certification of Assurances**

By providing a digital signature or typing my name below and submitting this document, I certify that the school district is providing continued learning experiences, including summer learning and enrichment measures, as outlined in this plan.

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